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Expanding Capacity: Multi-Lingual Learning and Data-Driven Intervention for Children with Hearing Loss

Who Should Attend
• Listening and Spoken Language Specialists
• Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
• Speech-Language Pathologists
• Audiologists
• Early Intervention Specialists
• Special Education Professionals

What You'll Learn
• The differences between simultaneous and sequential language learning
• How to meet the developing language needs of children who are bilingual or who come from families that do not speak the majority language
• Successful educational environment strategies for children who have hearing loss
• The importance of evidence-based and evidence-informed practice
• The importance and effects of data-driven instruction for preschool children with hearing loss
• What behaviors to look for in early word learning
• Application of structured, play-based, and incidental vocabulary interventions
• Models of intervention that facilitate family involvement
• Effective strategies that facilitate care-giver learning

Register at atlantaspeechschool.org/slslc
Friday, September 22, 2017
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Expanding Capacity Day 1:
Multi-Lingual Learning for Children with Hearing Loss

This workshop is intended for professionals who work with children who have hearing loss and come from families that are bilingual or do not speak the majority language. Topics covered will include assessment considerations and intervention models along with implementing strategies that facilitate successful bilingual learning.

LEARNER OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES:
At the completion of this presentation, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the difference between a simultaneous language learner and sequential language learner
2. Describe a continuum of intervention services that meets the needs of developing language in children who are bilingual or who come from families that do not speak the majority language
3. Identify three informal assessment procedures that may be used to obtain information about a child’s language(s)
4. List at least three recommended educational environment strategies used with children who have hearing loss

Saturday, September 23, 2017
8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Expanding Capacity Day 2:
Data-Driven Intervention

This workshop is intended for professionals who work with children who have hearing loss and come from families that are bilingual or do not speak the majority language. Topics covered will include assessment considerations and intervention models along with implementing strategies that facilitate successful bilingual learning.

LEARNER OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES:
At the completion of this presentation, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the importance of and differences between evidence-based and evidence-informed practice.
2. Describe a model of data-driven instruction.
3. Explain the effects of data-driven instruction on preschool children with hearing loss.
5. Explain clinical and/or classroom applications of structured vs. play-based vs. incidental vocabulary intervention.
6. Describe a model of intervention that facilitates family involvement.
7. List four effective strategies that facilitate caregiver learning.

About the Atlanta Speech School and the Katherine Hamm Center
The Atlanta Speech School is a comprehensive center for language and literacy with four schools, five clinics and a professional development center. We work within each program and collaborate across all programs to help each person develop his or her full potential through language and literacy.

Established in 1938, the Katherine Hamm Center at the Atlanta Speech School is a listening, spoken language, and literacy program for children ages birth to 5 who are deaf or hard of hearing and their families. Children receive language-rich lessons and highly individualized literacy instruction in a nurturing environment. Teachers and staff work closely with parents to instill the knowledge and confidence they need to help their children reach their full potential. Services include early intervention programs, parent education, audiological support services, a preschool program that supports mainstream opportunities, professional development (coaching) support and independent education evaluations.

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